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144 named New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition

Burmaster commends schools for demonstrating consistent academic progress

MADISON—State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster named 144 New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition for the 2005-06 school year, citing their consistent academic progress as a basis for their selection for this honor.

"Teachers, parents, administrators, and other school staff members in these schools are working together to build a learning community that supports students' academic achievement," Burmaster said. "These schools have a right to be proud of their efforts to close the achievement gap as demonstrated by the consistent academic progress of their students."

To be recognized, schools must be eligible to receive federal Title I funding and be among the highest poverty schools in the state based on free and reduced-price school lunch data. Additionally, student achievement must be above average for the state in both reading and mathematics, based on statewide assessments, and there can be no noticeable lag in achievement for subgroups of students.

Honored for beating the odds, 77 elementary schools met all four criteria to receive recognition, along with 38 middle/junior high schools, 28 high schools, and one combined school. Thirty-two of the 2005-06 New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition received the honor last year; another 26 were recognized all three years of the program.

Schools will receive a recognition plaque at an Oct. 5 ceremony at the State Capitol and \$1,500 for use by the school. An instructional video program was produced this year identifying best practices of some prior New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition. A website will highlight this year's award-winning schools as part of an outreach effort to share best practices.

"These New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition make it their central mission to meet the learning needs of every student," Burmaster said. "They embrace the belief that every child can learn, which is a powerfully positive message for educators, schools, and communities all across the state about how to ensure students' academic achievement."

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ATTACHMENT: A list of New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition by schools within districts follows. Schools marked with an asterisk (*) received the New Wisconsin Schools of Recognition award in 2004-05. Schools marked with a double asterisk (**) have received the award for three consecutive years.



New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition

Abbotsford

Abbotsford Elementary Abbotsford Junior/Senior High

Adams-Friendship Area Castle Rock Elementary*

Roche A Cri Elementary

Alma Center

Lincoln Elementary**

Antigo

Antigo Middle Mattoon Elementary

Appleton Area

Wilson Middle

Ashland

Ashland Middle* Lake Superior Intermediate* Marengo Valley Elementary**

Augusta

Augusta High

Baraboo

West Elementary

Barron Area

Almena Elementary** Ridgeland Elementary

Bavfield

Bayfield Elementary Bayfield Middle*

Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine

Pembine High

Beloit

Todd Elementary

Birchwood

Birchwood Elementary** Birchwood High** Birchwood Middle**

Boscobel Area

Boscobel Junior High

Bowler

Bowler High

Bovceville Community

Boyceville Middle*

Bruce

Bruce High Bruce Middle

Butternut

Butternut High*

Cameron

Cameron Middle**

Cashton

Cashton High

Chetek

Chetek Middle*

Clayton

Clayton Elementary Clayton Middle**

Clintonville

Longfellow Elementary

Coleman

Coleman Elementary/Middle**

Cornell

Cornell Junior/Senior High

Crivitz

Crivitz High

Cudahy

Park View Elementary**

De Soto Area

Prairie View Elementary**

Eau Claire Area

Delong Middle

Longfellow Elementary**

Florence Middle

Fond du Lac

Chegwin Elementary* Parkside Elementary

Gilmanton

Gilmanton High

Green Bay Area

Chappell Elementary* **Jefferson Elementary**

Sullivan Elementary*

Greenwood

Greenwood High

Hayward Community

Hayward High

Hayward Middle** Stone Lake Elementary**

Hurley

Hurley K-12 School*

Juda High

Vernon Elementary

La Crosse

Franklin Elementary Lincoln Middle

North Woods Elementary

La Farge

La Farge Elementary** La Farge Middle

Ladysmith-Hawkins

Ladysmith Elementary*

Lake Geneva J1

Central - Denison Elementary

Lake Holcombe

Holcombe High

Loyal

Loyal High

Loyal Junior High

Madison Metropolitan

Black Hawk Middle

Leopold Elementary

Lowell Elementary

Mendota Elementary O'Keeffe Middle**

Sennett Middle

Toki Middle

Marinette

Marinette Middle

Merryman Elementary

Menomonie Area

Menomonie Middle

River Heights Elementary

Milwaukee

Alcott Elementary

Barton Elementary**

Brown Street Elementary*

Cooper Elementary Fernwood Montessori*

Garland Elementary

Grant Elementary

Hawthorne Elementary* King High**

Kluge Elementary

Milwaukee Spanish Immersion

Morse Middle**

Parkview Elementary* River Trail Elementary*

Hoover Elementary

New Auburn

New Auburn Junior/Senior High

Northwood

Northwood School

Oshkosh Area

Jefferson Elementary Merrill Elementary Merrill Middle* Roosevelt Elementary** Washington Elementary* Webster Stanley Elementary*

Webster Stanley Middle*

Owen-Withee

Owen-Withee Elementary Owen-Withee High* Owen-Withee Junior High*

Pepin Area

Pepin Elementary Pepin High

Phelps

Phelps Elementary* Phelps High Platteville

Platteville Middle*

Prairie du Chien AreaEastman Charter School (E.C.H.O.E.S)

Prentice

Prentice Elementary**

Racine

Johnson Elementary

Rhinelander

Central Elementary**
Rice Lake Area

Jefferson Elementary

River Ridge

River Ridge Elementary River Ridge Middle

Seneca

Seneca High* Seneca Junior High

Sharon J11

Sharon Elementary

Shawano-Gresham

Gresham Elementary* Lincoln Elementary Shawano Community Middle

Sheboygan Area

Farnsworth Middle Grant Elementary Horace Mann Middle*

Shell Lake

Shell Lake Junior/Senior High

South Shore

South Shore Junior/Senior High*

Southwestern Wisconsin

Southwestern Wisconsin High*

Stanley-Boyd Area

Stanley-Boyd Middle

Superior

Lake Superior Elementary

Thorp

Thorp Elementary*

Tri-County Area

Tri-County Elementary

Turtle Lake

Turtle Lake Elementary

Two Rivers

Koenig Elementary*

Washburn

DuPont Middle

Watertown

Schurz Elementary

Wausau

Horace Mann Middle

Wautoma Area

Redgranite Elementary*

Webster

Webster High

Westfield

Coloma Elementary Neshkoro Elementary**

Weyerhaeuser Area

Weyerhaeuser High**

White Lake

White Lake Elementary

Winter

Winter Elementary**

Wonewoc-Union Center

Wonewoc Junior High

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